TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE





SB 643 - HB 761

February 28, 2015

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes a winery or a farm wine permit holder to sell any items at retail as state law permits.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenue – Exceeds \$82,300

Increase Local Revenue – Exceeds \$34,300

Assumptions:

- Under current law, in addition to its own wine, a winery is authorized to sell: juices or concentrates derived from juices, or any agricultural products; items used in home winemaking; and other gift, tourism, or wine related items as defined by regulations promulgated by the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission (ABC).
- The Department of Revenue reports that, in FY13-14, Tennessee wineries collected \$1,706,775 in state sales taxes and \$624,739 in local sales taxes.
- Authorizing wineries to sell any items at retail as state law permits is estimated to increase their taxable sales by a minimum of five percent, resulting in a recurring increase in state revenue exceeding \$85,339 (\$1,706,775 x 5.0%), and a recurring increase in local revenue exceeding \$31,237 (\$624,739 x 5.0%).
- The effective rate of apportionment to local government pursuant to the state-shared sales tax allocation is estimated to be 3.617 percent.
- The net recurring increase in state revenue is estimated to exceed \$82,252 [\$85,339 (\$85,339 x 3.617%)].
- The total recurring increase in local revenue is estimated to exceed \$34,324 [\$31,237 + (\$85,339 x 3.617%)].
- It is estimated that wineries will begin selling any items at retail as state law permits in FY15-16.
- No additional personnel or resources will be required by the ABC.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Jeffrey L. Spalding, Executive Director

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